

Holy Cross Youth Ministry: 2018-2019

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September 2018:

- 10 Journey to Emmaus (6:00pm-8:00pm)
- 15 Parish Picnic
- 17 Edge (6:00pm-8:00pm)
- 19 Faith on Fire (6:00pm-8:00pm)
- 22-23 Ministry Fair (after all masses)
- 24 Journey to Emmaus (6:00pm-8:00pm)

October 2018:

- 01 Edge (6:00pm-7:30pm)
- 06 Catholic Youth Day at Busch Gardens
- 08 Journey to Emmaus (6:00pm-7:30pm)
- 14 Movie Night @ STM (5:30pm, Rsvp for pizza)
- 15 Edge (6:00pm-7:30pm)
- 17 Faith on Fire (6:00pm-7:30pm)
- 19-21 Christian Awakening Retreat (Grades 11 and 12)
- 21 Middle School Rally (Charlottesville)
- 22 Journey to Emmaus (6:00pm-7:30pm)
- 29 Edge (6:00pm-7:30pm)

November 2018:

- 02 S'mores and Games @ STM (5:00pm-7:00pm)
- 05 Journey to Emmaus (6:00pm-7:30pm)
- 12 Edge (6:00pm-7:30pm)
- 14 Faith on Fire (6:00pm-7:30pm)
- 19 Journey to Emmaus (6:00pm-7:30pm)
- 25 Movie Night @ STM (6:00pm)
- 26 Edge (6:00pm-7:30pm)
- 28 Chris Stefanick Reboot @ STM (7:00pm-9:30pm)

December 2018:

- 03 Journey to Emmaus (6:00pm-7:30pm)
- 05 Advent Evening (6:00pm-7:30pm)
- 10 Edge (6:00pm-7:30pm)
- 17 Youth Ministry Advent Party (6:00pm-7:30pm)
- 21 Movie Night @ STM (11:00am-7:30pm)

January 2019:

- 07 Journey to Emmaus (6:00pm-7:30pm)
- 14 Edge (6:00pm-7:30pm)
- 16 Faith on Fire (6:00pm-7:30pm)
- 18 March for Life (Washington, DC)
- 21 MLK Jr Day (no youth group)
- 23 HS Social Night w/ STM (6:00pm-7:30pm)
- 28 Journey to Emmaus (6:00pm-7:30pm)

February 2019:

- 04 Edge (6:00pm-7:30pm)
- 08-10 Diocesan Youth Conference (Richmond, VA)
- 10 Middle School Retreat team applications due
- 11 No youth group
- 13 MS Social Night w/ STM (6:00pm-7:30pm)
- 18 Journey to Emmaus (6:00pm-7:30pm)
- 20 Faith on Fire (6:00pm-7:30pm)
- 25 Edge (6:00pm-7:30pm)

March 2019:

- 02-03 Pancake Weekend
- 04 Journey to Emmaus (6:00pm-7:30pm)
- 11 Edge (6:00pm-7:30pm)
- 18 Journey to Emmaus (6:00pm-7:30pm)
- 20 Faith on Fire (6:00pm-7:30pm)
- 22-24 Discovery Retreat (Grades 9 and 10)
- 25 Edge (6:00pm-7:30pm)

April 2019:

- 01 Journey to Emmaus (6:00pm-7:30pm)
- 08 Edge (6:00pm-7:30pm)
- 10 Faith on Fire (6:00pm-7:30pm)
- 14 Movie Night @ STM (6:00pm)
- 15, 22 No youth group
- 26-27 Middle School Retreat 2019
- 29 No youth group

May 2019:

- 06 Journey to Emmaus (6:00pm-7:30pm)
- 13 Edge (6:00pm-7:30pm)
- 15 Faith on Fire (6:00pm-7:30pm)
- TBD Journey to the Peak w/ Father Jim

June 2019:

- 10-14 Church Camp 2019 (9:00am-12:00pm)
- 16 Discipleship Team applications due
- 19 Middle School Ropes Course trip
- 26 High School Ropes Course trip

July 2019:

- TBD Steubenville Conference
- TBD Lynchburg Hillcats trip w/ Father Jim

Journey to Emmaus: Our high school (Grades 9-12) youth group. Each night features a different topic explored through games, a short talk, small group discussions, activities, and prayer. Meetings are every other Monday night, 6:00pm-8:00pm, and always include dinner. Journey to Emmaus is a parish-based ministry program from the Diocese of Arlington.

Edge: Our middle school (Grades 6-8) youth group. Each night features a different topic explored through games, a short talk, small group discussions, activities, and prayer. Meetings are every other Monday night, 6:00pm-8:00pm, and always include dinner. Edge is a parish-based ministry program by Life Teen.

Faith on Fire: Our combined (Grades 6-12) youth group. Dynamic in format and age range, older teens become leaders and younger teens are empowered. For 2018-2019, Faith on Fire is focusing on the Works of Mercy. Meetings are once a month, generally the third Wednesday of the month. Meetings are hands-on, energetic, and always include snacks.

Parish Picnic: Open to all parishioners and their family with outdoor mass. 1:00pm-6:00pm. Knights of Columbus Hall, 201 Sweeney Circle, Forest, VA.

Ministry Fair: Learn what our volunteers do and get involved. September 22-23, after all masses.

Catholic Youth Day at Busch Gardens: For more info: <https://evangelizerichmond.org/events/buschgardens2018/>

Christian Awakening Retreat: An overnight, off-site retreat for older teens across the diocese to be challenged in their faith and meet teens from across Virginia.

Chris Stefanick REBOOT: Well-known Catholic speaker presents on how to jumpstart your faith. Intended audiences are older teens to senior parishioners (16-85).

Diocesan Youth Conference: The biggest retreat in our diocese, DYC is an action-packed, faith-charged weekend spent with other teens. Open to 8th Grade-12th Grade. Similar to the Steubenville Conference format.

Pancake Weekend: Our biggest annual fundraiser, Pancake Breakfast is a beloved tradition of our youth serving older parishioners delicious food with a warm smile. Volunteers can sign up in shifts for each mass in February 2019.

Discovery Retreat: A weekend-long retreat of deep faith, powerful sacraments, and new friends.

Middle School Retreat: A new HC tradition - older teens lead younger teens in this overnight retreat.

Journey to the Peak: Father Jim leads his flock up Sharp Top, where we celebrate mass before descending.

Church Camp: Holy Cross's Vacation Bible School. Proudly run by youth, for youth.

Discipleship Team: Teens seeking to go deeper in their faith and take on leadership within Youth Ministry.

Middle School Retreat Team: Older teens and a few adults form the backbone of making MSR a reality.

Steubenville Conference: A charismatic retreat for 8th-12th Graders; speakers, mass, sacraments, etc.

Lynchburg Hillcats Trip: Father Jim takes HC youth to catch a home game at City Stadium.